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FOR THE INFORMATION, AT 4:55 A.M., AUGUST 14, 1978, FBI,
NEW YORK, WAS TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED BY GERALD MARONEY,
FEDERAL PROTECTIVE SERVICE (FPS) REGARDING CAPTIONED MATTER AND
ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

SECURITY OFFICER, EDWART LUTZ, UNITED NATIONS,
DISCOVERED WHAT APPEARED TO BE FIVE (5) STICKS OF DYNAMITE
WHICH WERE FOUND AT THE UNITED NATIONS AT APPROXIMATELY 3:10

A.M. ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE DAG HAMMARSKOLD LIBRARY. NYCPD BOMB SQUAD RESPONDED AND PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REVEALED DEVICE WRAPPED IN A HEINEKEN BEER CARTON CONTAINING A CAPPED PIPE SECTION WITH CONNECTING WIRES. FURTHER EXAMINATION REVEALED DYNAMITE WIRED IN SERIES TO A NINE (9) VOLT BATTERY AND A SMALL TRAVEL ALARM CLOCK USED AS A TIME DELAY. BATTERY COULD NOT BE IDENTIFIED DUE TO BEING WRAPPED IN BLACK ELECTRICAL TAPE. TRAVEL ALARM HAS TWO AND ONE QUARTER INCH SQUARE WHITE FACE MARKED, "... OULAVA; KOREA". COMPLETE TRADEMARK COULD NOT BE READ DUE TO COVERING WITH TAPE. MINUTE HAND REMOVED FROM CLOCK WITH A PIECE OF WIRE INSERTED AT NINE O'CLOCK POSITION.

CLOSER EXAMINATION SHOWED YELLOW, ORANGE, RED, AND BLACK WIRES. COMPLETE DEVICE SET NEXT TO A FIVE INCH PIECE OF PIPE WITH BOTH ENDS CAPPED. ALSO ENCLOSED WAS COMMUNIQUE (DESCRIBED LATER). THE PIPE WAS LOCATED WITH THE EXPLOSIVE DEVICE BUT WAS NOT, REPEAT NOT, WIRED AND CONTAINED NO EXPLOSIVES. ATTACHED TO THESE PIECES WERE PIECES OF FRESH GREEN GRASS THAT STUCK TO SOME OF THE CLOCK ELECTRICAL TAPE (APPARENTLY USED TO CONSTRUCT).

NYCPD BOMB UNIT REMOVED THIS DEVICE WITHOUT INCIDENT TO RODEMAN'S NECK, BRONX, NEW YORK.

AT APPROXIMATELY 3:30 A.M., THE FIRST OF TWO CALLS AT WCBS, 51 WEST 52ND STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, CLAIMING CREDIT FOR A BOMB AT GRAND CENTRAL STATION (LOCATED APPROXIMATELY THREE BLOCKS FROM UNITED NATIONS). CALLER STATED UNCLASSIFIED

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WORDS TO THE EFFECT, "THERE'S A BOMB AT GRAND CENTRAL STATION. . . THIS IS THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS ORGANIZATION. . . LOOK IN LOCKER NO. 702. . . YOU PEOPLE BETTER TAKE HEED OR MORE INNOCENT PEOPLE WOULD BE HURT". CALLER HUNG UP WITH DESCRIPTION AS MIDDLE-AGED MAN WITH A FOREIGN ACCENT (POLISH HUNGARIAN OR POSSIBLY HISPANIC), SPEAKING VERY QUICKLY. FIRST CALL RECEIVED AT 3:30 P.M.; SECOND RECEIVED AT 3:50 A.M., BY SECURITY OFFICER.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION AT GRAND CENTRAL STATION BY NYCPD, BOMB SQUAD, AT APPROXIMATELY 4:20 A.M. REFLECTED THIS DEVICE (LOCATED IN LOCKER NO. 702) WAS CONTAINED IN A CARDBOARD CONTAINER FROM A SIX PACK OF HEINEKEN BEER. DEVICE CONSISTED OF FOUR (4) STICKS OF DYNAMITE WITH AN ELECTRIC LIGHT, CHAIN-PULL (ON-OFF SWITCH) WIRED IN A SERIES WITH A NINE VOLT, MALLORY DURACELL BATTERY. YELLOW, ORANGE, AND BLACK WIRES ALONG WITH BLACK ELECTRICAL TAPE WERE ALSO USED FOR CONSTRUCTION. DEVICE CONTAINED NO TIME DELAY MECHANISM AND WAS FOUND WITH THE ON-OFF SWITCH IN THE OFF POSITION. NYCPD, BOMB SQUAD, BELIEVES DEVICE WOULD ONLY HAVE DETONATED IF SOMEONE PULLED CHAIN SWITCH. A FOREIGN LANGUAGE COMMUNIQUE (DESCRIBED LATER) WAS ATTACHED.

DYNAMITE IN THE ABOVE DEVICES WAS ONE-HALF POUND STICKS

IN BROWN WRAPPERS. WRAPPERS MARKED "NOBEL ONTARIO, D-7, C-I-L". NYCPD BOMB SQUAD BELIEVES DYNAMITE MADE IN CANADA BY CILGEL COMPANY, BUT THIS HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED. DYNAMITE ALSO REPORTEDLY TO BE IN POOR CONDITION PARTIALLY COVERED WITH GREEN MOLD. DEVICE AT GRAND CENTRAL STATION ALSO REMOVED TO RODEMAN'S NECK, BRONX, NEW YORK, WITHOUT INCIDENT.

AT APPROXIMATELY 4:20 A.M., THIRD (FINAL CALL) RECEIVED AT NBC (NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY (SWITCHBOARD CLAIMING CREDIT FOR BOTH OF THE ABOVE DEVICES. CALLER DESCRIBED MALE CALLER WITH "HEAVY ACCENT" WITH A FOREIGN NATURE, NAMING A GROUP (UNINTELLIGIBLE) CLAIMING RESPONSIBILITY FOR BOTH THE UNITED NATIONS AND GRAND CENTRAL STATION.

NO TAPES MADE FROM ANY OF THE ABOVE CALLS.
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BOTH COPIES OF THE TYPEWRITER COMMUNIQUE APPEAR TO BE IDENTICAL COPIES ON A ZINC OXIDE PAPER FROM A COPYING MACHINE.

TRANSLATION MADE BY NYO TRANSLATION UNIT IS AS FOLLOWS IN CROATIAN:

"TO THOSE ACCOUNTABLE TO WORLD PUBLIC OPINION"

ALREADY FOR MORE THAN THIRTY YEARS THE CROATIANS HAVE BEEN USING ALL POSSIBLE LEGAL MEANS TO SHOW THE WORLD PUBLIC OPINION THE TRUTH ABOUT THE MURDEROUS AND TERRORIST NATURE OF YUGOSLAV DICTATORSHIP AND ABOUT THE WOEFUL GENOCIDE OF CROATIANS UNDER IT.

WHILE IN RECENT YEARS THE WORLD PRESS HAS BEEN WRITING ABOUT THE MURDERS COMMITTED BY YUGOSLAV HIRELINGS, IN SUCH NUMEROUS CASES ALSO IN FOREIGN LANDS, WE HAVE ARRIVED AT A TIME WHEN CROATIANS ARE BEING SOLD AS MARKET GOODS, WHEN - IN A SPECIFIC CASE - A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT, THE WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT, DECIDES TO DELIVER TO THE YUGOSLAV EXECUTIONERS THE CROATIAN PATRIOT, HUSBAND AND FATHER, MR. STIPE BILANDZIC, WHO HAS BEEN RESIDING IN WEST GERMANY FOR TWENTY YEARS AND HAS FINISHED HIS UNIVERSITY STUDIES THERE. ONLY BECAUSE HE LOVES HIS NATIVE LAND, THE PERSECUTED CROATIA, MORE THAN HE LOVES HIMSELF.

WE KNOW THAT THE CROATIANS HAVE NO BACKING/SUPPORT/, THAT THE CROATIANS ARE NOT POWERFUL AND THAT THEY HAVE NO POWERFUL FRIENDS. THE CROATIANS HAVE BEEN WRONGFULLY SLANDERED. 7,(92, 7?3:5 , AKA CROATIAN LIBERATION FORCES, FREEDOM FIGHTERS ORGANIZATION; ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF UNITED NATIONS, NEW YORK, AUGUST 14, 1978; PROTECTION OF FOREIGN OFFICIALS - ATTEMPTED BOMBING. UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, AKA CROATIAN LIBERATION FORCES, FREEDOM FIGHTERS ORGANIZATION; ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF GRAND CENTRAL STATION, NEW YORK, AUGUST 14, 1978; EXPLOSIVES AND INCENDIARY DEVICES; DESTRUCTION OF AIRCRAFT OR MOTOR VEHICLES - ATTEMPTED BOMBING. THE CROATIANS ARE FORBIDDEN EVERYTHING, FROM THE USE OF THEIR
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MOTHER TONGUE TO THE RIGHT TO FREEDOM AND TO THEIR OWN/
DEMOCRATIC STATE. THE CROATIANS HAVE BEEN DEPRIVED OF EVERYTHING
EXCEPT HOPE FOR A RETURN TO /REAL/LIFE AND THEIR TEETH
TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AT LEAST BEFORE THEIR DEATH.

GENTLEMEN, YOU WHO ARE ACCOUNTABLE/TO THE WORLD PUBLIC
OPINION: BLOODSHED IS AN EVIL WHICH WE, CROATIANS, HATE MORE
THAN ANYONE ELSE. BUT IF STIPE BILANDZIC IS DELIVERED TO
THE YUGOSLAV MURDERS, IF YUGOSLAVIA CONTINUES TO BE ASSISTED
IN THE GENOCIDE OF CROATIANS, WHETHER TO ANYONE'S BENEFIT
OR NOT, THE INNOCENT CROATIAN BLOOD WILL BEGIN TO FALL ON
SCHMIDT AND ON ALL THE SCHMIDTS WHO ARE ACCOUNTABLE TO WORLD
PUBLIC OPINION.

FOR THE MULTITUDES WHO ARE SUFFERING INNOCENTLY, YOU,
THE RESPONSIBLE GENTLEMEN, YOU IN THE UNITED PEOPLES/NATIONS?/
AND OUTSIDE, WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE IN THE COURT OF HISTORY.
CAN YOU/REALLY/THINK THAT HISTORY WILL CRITICIZE A PEOPLE,
THE CROATIAN PEOPLE, FOR THAT WHICH IT DID IN ITS DEATH AGONY.
THIS IS A WARNING, AND DO NOT SAY THAT YOU DID NOT HEAR IT.

OF THE TWO BOMBS IN THE CITY ONLY ONE WILL EXPLODE. THIS
IS A BEGINNING AND A NOTICE OF THE DETERMINATION OF THE
KAMIKAZES.

"CROATIAN LIBERATION FORCES"

U.S. SECRET SERVICE AND BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO,
AND FIREARMS NOTIFIED LOCALLY.

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